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AMENDMENT

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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Election/Restrictions Action ("Office Action") dated August 30, 2004; Applicant believes the Office Action is in error. A copy of the Preliminary Amendment filed simultaneously with the present application on November 4, 2003 is attached for your convenience. Following entry of the above-mentioned Preliminary Amendment, only one claim set remains (i.e., one independent claim). Therefore, Applicant requests withdrawal of the present Election/Restrictions requirement.

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CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, the foregoing places the Application in condition for allowance. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of the claims be withdrawn and full allowance granted. Should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, please contact Bobby Slaton at (972) 519-2295.

Respectfully submitted,

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